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SUBJ: EC ARTICLE XXIV:6 RENEGOTIATIONS-SOUTH AFRICAN
REQUESTS

REF: GENEVA 3668

1. MEMBERS USDEL (PROPPS AND CULBERT) CALLED ON
SOUTHAFRICAN DELEGATION (SMIT AND LAWRY) ON JULY 16
TO DISCUSS ITEMS OF MUTUAL INTEREST ON SOUTH AFRICAN
REQUEST LIST.

2. SOUTH AFRICA IS MAKING NO REQUESTS ON NON-
AGRICULTURAL OVERLAP ITEMS (INCLUDING CXT ITEM 7302A, FERRO
CHROMIUM, WHERE SF CLAIMED PRINCIPAL SUPPLIER POSITION).

3. FOR FRESH ORANGES, CXT ITEM 08021A1A/0802A1B, SF
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INTENDS REQUEST 5 0/0 BINDING FOR PERIOD MAY 1-NOV. 30.

SF DOES NOT SHIP IN MARCH AND APRIL AND IS PRACTICALLY
SOLE SUPPLIER IN OCT AND NOV. SF DOES NOT INTEND REQUEST
BELOW 5 0/0, AS IT DOES NOT WISH EXPEND TOO MUCH BARGAINING
POWER ON THIS SINGLE ITEM.

4. FOR FRESH APPLES, 0806AIIA,B AND C, SF WILL REQUEST
5 0/0 BINDING FEB 1- JULY 31.

5. FOR FRESH PEARS, 0806BIIB AND C, SF REQUESTING 5 0/0
JAN 1-JULY 31.

6. SF HAS NOT DECIDED WHAT TO REQUEST FOR GRAIN
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7. FOR CANNED APRICOTS, PEACHES, PINEAPPLES AND FRUIT
SALAD, SF WILL REQUEST 50 0/0 CUT IN FIXED DUTIES AND CON-
VERSION OF VARIABLE LEVIES TO A FIXED CHARGE FOR ALL ITEMS
THAT HAVE SUGAR ADDED. SF IS NOT MAKING REQUESTS ON
CANNED FRUIT ITEMS (E.G. 2006BIICLCC, PINEAPPLE, AND
2006BIICLDD, FRUIT COCKTAIL) WITH NO SUGAR ADDED.

8. SF NOT REQUESTING DUTY REDUCTIONS ON DRIED APRICOTS,
MAIZE STARCH, PINEAPPLE/TOMATO JUICE, AND FRESH GRAPES
-ALTHOUGH IT CLAIMED PRINCIPAL SUPPLIER INTEREST IN
THESE ITEMS.

9. WE AGREED THAT IF US DOES NOT FIND ACCEPTABLE SF
OFFER ON RICE IN US-SF ART XXVIII NEGOTIATIONS, US AND SF
DELEGATIONS WILL EXPLORE POSSIBILITY OF GIVING SF
CREDIT IN THOSE NEGOTIATIONS-IF IT SUCCEEDS IN OB-
TAINING SPECIFIED EC DUTY DECREASES IN XXIV:6 ON SOME
ITEMS OF US INTEREST. FRUIT COCKTAIL, ITEMS (BIIA8AA,
BIIA8BB, BIIB8AA, AND BIIB8BB) WOULD BE FIRST SUCH
ITEMS TO BE STUDIED.

9. SF DELEGATION GAVE US THE FOLLOWING SUMMARY ANALYSIS
OF EC COMPUTER STUDY FOR SOUTH AFRICA COMPARABLE TO EC
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"BALANCE SHEET" FOR US GIVEN USDEL BY EC ON JUNE 29.

SUMMARY TABLE FOR SOUTH AFRICA (\$ MILLIONS)

DUTY COLLECTIONS	TOTAL	AGRICULTURE	INDUSTRY
BOUND TO BOUND:	SEE NOTE	SEE NOTE	
BELOW	BELOW		
INCREASE IN RATES	11.5	10.6	0.9
DECREASE IN RATES	6.1	3.2	2.9

TRADE VOLUMES

BOUND TO UNBOUND	43.8	43.3	0.5
UNBOUND TO BOUND	69.4	17.2	52.2

CHANGES IN JURIDICAL RIGHTS: SEE NOTE BELOW

DECREASE IN JURIDICAL

RIGHTS

INCREASE IN JURIDICAL

RIGHTS	90.4	28.0	62.4
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NOTE: FOR AGRICULTURE, ADDED VARIABLE CHARGES AND SUGAR ADDED LEVIES HAVE NOT BEEN TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN DUTY COLLECTIONS ANALYSIS. DUTY COLLECTIONS COMPRISE BOUND DUTIES IN THE ACCEDING COUNTRIES AND FIXED ELEMENTS IN THE CXT. THE TRADE VOLUME CONCERNED TOTALS ABOUT \$45 MILLION. TRADE COVERAGE IN JURIDICAL RIGHTS IS RECORDED UNDER "DECREASE" IF FOR THE ITEMS COVERED THE RIGHTS IN THE NINE AS COMPARED WITH THOSE IN THE ACCEDING COUNTRIES DECLINE IN THE SCALE FROM "INR" TO "PRINCIPAL SUPPLIER", FROM "PRINCIPAL" TO "SUBSTANTIAL" SUPPLIER, ETC. AN UPWARD MOVEMENT IN THE HIERARCHY IS RECORDED UNDER "INCREASE."

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